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# The Bethel News.

VOLUME IX.—NUMBER 40.

BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1904.

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CASH ASSETS, Dec. 31, 1903, \$1,846,910.07

Real Estate owned by the Company, \$165,000.00

Loans on Bond and Mortgage (first lien), \$1,550,545.00

Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, \$170,294.04

Market value, \$10,676.28

Cash in Company's principal office and in Bank, \$497,800.83

Interest due and accrued, \$1,400,487.83

Other items of Assets, \$3,400,487.83

Premiums in due course of collection, \$1,007,599.77

LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903, \$3,400,487.83

Net amount of unpaid losses and claims, \$263,083.13

Reserve for Re-insurance, \$1,846,910.07

Commissions and other demands against the Company, \$191,994.06

All liabilities, except Capital Stock and Surplus, \$3,303,888.56

Capital paid up in Cash, none in the United States

Surplus beyond Capital, \$1,007,599.77

Freeland Howe, Agent, Norway, Maine.

## THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

### ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

F. J. Tyler was in Lewiston Monday.

Mrs. J. G. Gehring attended the concert in Portland last Thursday evening.

Miss Ethel Richardson is spending a few weeks with her aunt in Abington, Mass.

Miss Gladys Wiley gave a whist party last Friday evening which was much enjoyed.

Mrs. M. A. Merrill went to Portland, Monday, to spend the remainder of the winter.

Miss Susan B. Twitchell went to Worcester, Mass., last Thursday, to visit her sister, Mrs. Clarence Hobbs.

The Ladies' Club will entertain the Bethel Federation at Garland Chapel, Thursday Feb. 25 at 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. Hannibal Grover is confined to the house by illness, the result of an accident received last week, while caring for his cow.

The Gorham auxiliary wrecking crew were at work in the Grand Trunk yard Monday, on a box car which was derailed on the siding.

Mrs. Ada Wight who has been ill for the past two weeks, has sufficiently recovered to resume her baking for Clarence Fox at the Bisbee store.

Mrs. Williamson and son Bartlett of Cleveland, Ohio, who are spending the winter in Bethel, will visit their home during the Academy vacation.

Mrs. Lillian True Bryant of Bangor, attended the concert in Portland last Thursday evening. She is now spending a few days at her old home in Bethel.

The meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church, which was appointed for Thursday, Feb. 25, is postponed to Thursday, March 3. Per order the secretary.

The Prescille entertainment will be in Odeon hall, March 4 and 5 instead of the dates as given last week, for the benefit of the Volunteer Hose Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carter who have been visiting Mr. Carter's mother for a few weeks, went to Phillips, last Thursday, where they will make their home.

Mr. Edwin LaF. Harvey, Bowdoin, '05, is in New York as a delegate of Bowdoin charge of Theta Delta Chi, which is holding its national annual convention in that city.

C. A. Mason of Denver, Colo., agreeably surprised his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mason, last Tuesday evening, by his unexpected arrival. Mr. Mason will remain in town for three or four weeks.

News has been received of the death of F. Cushing Gallison of Franklin, Mass. Mr. Gallison was an Oxford county man and will be remembered by the older people of Bethel and vicinity.

Have you been loaning your copy of the News to half-a-dozen families? If you have, see if you can't get some one or more of them to subscribe and help some one of these young people get that trip to St. Louis.

Letter for the following are advertised at the post office:

Miss Ethel Deering, James Brown, W. E. Chamberlain, L. W. Clough, M. D., Mr. Charles Hubbard, T. H. Hurstin.

The Columbian Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Edwin C. Rowe, Feb. 27, at three o'clock.

The Clubs of our village are most cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Williamson will continue to interest the Club upon Japan; she kindly and willingly offers her special talent for the Club's success.

Did you ever long for some trip and was disappointed in not taking it? As you recall that disappointment remember that if you are not a subscriber to the Bethel News, \$1.25 from you at this time will furnish it one year and assist a worthy young person in his or her effort to go to St. Louis. Please consider this.

Mrs. N. F. Brown is quite ill. G. P. Bean was in Portland Saturday.

Mrs. Alanson Tyler has been ill for the past week.

Mr. Cleve Bartlett of East Bethel, was in town Friday.

Measles are claiming many victims in the village.

Dr. and Mrs. Bradbury of Norway, were in town yesterday.

Ivan Arno is visiting his friend Wendall Philbrook, in Greene.

Miss Edith Skillings spent Sunday with friends in the village.

Mr. A. F. Copeland went to Boston Saturday on a business trip.

Miss Baker of Portland, has been visiting relatives in the village.

Mrs. Ed Mason of North Bethel spent last week with friends in town.

Mrs. W. F. Kendall returned Monday from a visit to Mechanic Falls.

Mrs. Payson Rich of Greene, visited relatives in the village last week.

Mrs. I. H. Wight entertained a few friends at Pit one evening last week.

Mr. Harry Jordan and family have returned to their home on Mechanic street.

Dr. and Mrs. L. H. Wight and daughter Vivian visited in Gorham, N. H., Sunday.

Mrs. J. G. Gehring went to Portland last Thursday, to attend the Wagner Parsifal concert.

Dr. J. A. Morton is still very ill, his usual illness being aggravated by congestion of the lungs.

Mr. and Mrs. Eben S. Kilborn returned from their wedding tour this (Wednesday) morning.

Mrs. J. C. Billings has been called to the home of her father on account of his critical illness.

Miss Miriam Herrick spent the recent holiday recess with her father, Judge A. E. Herrick.

Mrs. Staples and son Vernon have moved to Bryant Pond, where Mr. Staples has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Yates who have been visiting in town, have gone to Andover for a few weeks.

Mrs. Charles Cole of Milan, N. H., was the guest of her uncle, Collins Morgan, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowler and son Ernest spent a few days in Boston and Watertown, Mass., last week.

Miss Alice Mason and Miss Luella Boothby of Berlin, N. H., have been visiting Mrs. O. M. Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. V. B. McLain of West Bethel, were in the village Friday, and were among those delighted by the Jubilee singers.

The first victim of small pox has entirely recovered so that he was released from quarantine yesterday. The other patients are convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Jordan, Mrs. Putnam, Mrs. Copeland and Mrs. Orville Clough were in Bangor last week, attending the Annual Grand Army Encampment and convention of the Relief Corps.

Mrs. P. L. Rabinow of Milan, N. H., visited her sister, Mrs. E. L. Arno, last week, returning home Saturday accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Mary Woodward, who has also been visiting in town.

One of the best stories ever published in the News begins this week. We will furnish the paper during the time which the story runs for twenty cents. Send us the amount at once, and start with the first number.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. L. T. Barker Tuesday afternoon. The memorial to Miss Frances Willard was observed, and Mrs. Martha Chapman presented a very interesting paper. The union voted to send two dollars to the national Treasurer to aid in carrying on the work. What more fitting memorial can there be than helping to carry on the work when it is laid down by honored leaders?

Adamson's Botanic Balsam will break up a Cold, Stop a Cough, Alleviate Inflammation, Reduce Swollen Tonsils, Heal Sore Throat and Prevent serious complications, which leads to consumption. We have over 10,000 testimonials. It never fails. Sold by all druggists.

## Canadian Jubilee Singers and their Concert.

The Jubilee Singers came, sang, and conquered. There was a crowd. At one time the prospect was that some would be turned away for lack of room. We had depended on our vestry to seat about fifty, but had to give it up to the singers for a dressing room, until the very last moment. An effort had been made to reserve seats for all who were kind enough to patronize the ticket sellers and bought before the evening of the concert. With the exception of about eight persons, all who held reserved seats were placed where they were arranged, and finally everyone was comfortably seated. Two hundred and forty-four adult tickets were sold and twenty-four children's. There were fifteen complimentary and twelve free tickets for the ticket sellers; also a few children under paying age; making a crowd of some over three hundred persons present. It was a financial success. So far as the writer has been able to learn, the crowd enjoyed every moment. There were many encores. Mr. Francis, the tenor, made us laugh. Mr. Overstreet, the bass, took us to the depths. The orchestra music was very fine. It was disappointing to find Madame Dorsa with such a condition of throat that she had to omit some of her best selections, though the piece she sang with reference to the battleship Alabama was, as one expressed it, "worth a dollar."

It is too long a story to give all the details. Suffice to say that all connected with the concert appeared to be a decided success and there is a strong desire on the part of some to book the company here again. The local church received one half the gross proceeds. To those who entertained the singers we extend thanks. To all who assisted at no expense or at reduced charges we are grateful. To Mr. W. J. Wheeler of South Paris who furnished the piano free we are deeply indebted.

It may be interesting to know that the gross receipts here were about twenty four dollars in excess of the receipts at Gorham, N. H., the evening before. Jubilee Singers draw. Perhaps they will come again.

A crowded house welcomed these people at the M. E. church, last Friday night. The company is composed of eight colored artists, and each one is so near a star in his or her own chosen part that it is difficult to particularize. The opening chorus was only well begun when musical Bethel realized the talent and cultivation displayed, and as each number of the long and difficult program of vocal and instrumental selections was rendered, storms of applause and encores showed their appreciation. These encores were graciously granted from the artists' generous repertoire. The vocal solos of Dorsa, Overstreet, Robinson, Francis and Warner; the trombone solos of Mr. Warner, and the work of the male quartet, were most excellent. Manager Cary's cornet and C. B. Lumpkin's violin were only heard in the orchestral selections but they quite won the heart of the audience. The entire entertainment was a grand success, and we wish to congratulate the M. E. Society on the wisdom of their selection of entertainers.

### NOTICE

To Boston Herald Readers.

Merton L. Kimball, Esq., of Norway, is Oxford county's candidate for one of the Boston Herald's free trips to the St. Louis Exposition. He is a young man whom the News is glad to help in this contest, and we earnestly request any and all readers of the Herald in our vicinity to take the trouble to cut out the coupons and send them to the News office, and we will see that Mr. Kimball gets them. He stands well in his class and we hope that he may be the fortunate one. Let us assist him.

E. C. BOWLER.

## BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Twenty-five cent ribbons only nineteen cents, at L. M. Stearns'—Just received.

We shall continue to sell winter millinery at cost or less until all is sold. Caps of all kinds for children, 10 cts. at Miss E. E. Burnham's.

Extra wide satin ribbons, thirty-three cents, value thirty-eight cents, at L. M. Stearns'.

### Universalist Church Notes.

Next Sunday morning the pastor will give a discourse upon "Endless Punishment," the fifth of the special topics in the Midwinter and Lenten Series. These sermons are not doctrinal but are broad and inclusive, explanatory and educative, giving the results of the best religious thought of the day and showing logical reasons therefor.

A mixed chorus of ten voices furnished special music last Sunday morning and at the vesper services in the evening the number in the chorus was increased to twelve. This service was largely attended. The next vesper service will be held on the evening of March 6th. The music at these services is in itself, an attractive feature and the short addresses given by the pastor are replete with uplifting thought.

Special effort is being put into the music at all the church services and it is expected that a chorus of sixteen or more voices will be provided soon.

At the "Washington" supper and entertainment Monday evening there was a good attendance and the affair was a success in every way. The entertainment was pronounced the best of the season in its line, being musical and literary.

Prize Declamations.

At the annual Prize Declamations to be held in Odeon hall Friday evening, Feb. 26, the following program will be carried out:

PROGRAM.

Piano Duet, Misses Billings and Barton  
INVOCATION

Piano Duet, Misses King and Hall  
Oxford County, John D. Long  
John Herbert Carter.

Bobby Shaftee, Homer Green  
Gwendolyn Iva Stearns.

An Incident in the Life of Wendell Phillips, Theodore Dwight Weld  
Thomas Fitzmaurice Vail.

The Heroine of Nancy, Anon.  
Gladys Rose Wiley.

Vocal Trio, Misses Chamberlain, Russell and Norton  
Old Bessed Ct Arnold, Pauline Phelps  
Paul Cleveland Thurston.

The Anarchist, Bliss Perry  
Blanche Mae Russell.

Defense of Hofer, Andreas Hofer  
Harry Woodbury Furlington.

The Watermelon Stockings, Alice Caldwell Hepan  
Mabel Winifred Gleason.

Mandolin and Piano Duet, Misses Norton and Hall

AWARD OF PRIZES.

A committee consisting of Supt. A. C. Wheeler, South Paris; Supt. W. L. Churchill, Leeds Junction, Rev. Isabella McDuff, Berlin, N. H., will award the prizes.

It is hoped that this year, as heretofore, the speakers may be encouraged and inspired by a good sized audience. Admission 25 cents, reserved seats 35 cents. Tickets on sale at Wiley's.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS.

Harry Furlington, Bethel, 789  
Lyman Wheeler, Bethel, 778  
Gothard Carlson, Bethel, 620  
Miss Ethel Allen, West Bethel, 510

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the neighbors and friends who have so kindly helped us in the sickness and death of our beloved daughter and sister; also to the pastor for his kind and comforting words; also to the singers. May God bless them all.

MR. AND MRS. HERBERT MASON,  
MISS LOTTIE MASON,  
MISS LULA MASON,  
MASTER MARLE MASON.

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### PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates, hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in *The Bethel News*, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

ROBERT E. POWERS, late of Greenwood, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Helen L. Powers, administratrix.

HELEN E. BISBEE, ward of Bethel, petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Fannie W. Bisbee, guardian.

CHARLES W. SOMES, ward of Exeter, N. H.; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Fred L. Ordway, guardian.

DANIEL F. BEAN of Bethel, ward; first account filed for allowance by Clarence E. Barker, guardian.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

3w4o A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of

EPHRAIM BRYANT, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands said estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Feb. 16, 1904. Henry H. Hastings.

The man who permits another to carry him in business generally has to pay for the wagon he rides in.

This will interest Mothers.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, Break up Colds, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Purely vegetable. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Mrs. A.—John it seemed to take you so long to color your meerschaum with such a little bit of smoke, so I put it where there was a lot of smoke.

Mr. A. (horried)—Where did you put it?

Mrs. A.—In the stove.—Chicago News.

New Toothpick Mill at Dixfield.

It is announced that work is to begin at once at Dixfield on the construction of a new toothpick mill by the estate of Charles Foster, upon the site on Webb's river, where the former mill was burned January 6.

The contract was awarded Tuesday to the W. I. White Building Company of Rumford Falls, and Mr. White spent Tuesday at Dixfield looking over the ground, preparatory to putting a crew at work at once.

The new mill is to be of the same size as the burned one. The dimensions of the main building will be about 48 feet long by 48 feet wide, three story, or two above the street. The building will be of mill construction, and while it will be of no greater capacity, it will be a more up-to-date and better equipped mill in all probability. A system of automatic sprinklers will be installed, with a large tank situated on the hill above the mill office. The boilers are to be moved outside the main mill building, and installed in a separate structure. The new mill will rest on the old foundation.

It is expected that work can be begun inside the mill before the first of June, although the building will not be entirely complete by that time.











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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24, 1904.

Congressman Littlefield of Maine became a national figure a second time in as meteoric a manner as when he made his debut in the House. He was practically the only man who aroused his colleagues to the ridiculous spectacle they would make in voting the \$150,000 mileage grab, and he so directed his opposition that when the final vote was taken every representative was on his side. It was a brilliant achievement, and ranks with his attack on the coal trust. Littlefield won greater distinction within the first ten days of his national career than most congressmen do in ten years, and he has been able to maintain the pace which he set at the beginning.—Boston Advertiser.

## NEWS IN BRIEF.

David Harding of North Woodstock, has a brood of eight chickens over a week old which are reported to be thriving.

The work shop connected with the county jail at Auburn was damaged by fire, last Thursday night, to the amount of \$8000.

Col. Edwin C. Milliken of Portland, was elected Commander of the Department of Maine, G. A. R., and Miss Jennie Pierce Whitney of Gorham, was elected Department President by the Maine branch of the National Women's Relief Corps at the convention of the two bodies held in Bangor last week.

After the ice had been blown up to make a channel, the four-masted schooner, Winfield S. Schuster, was launched in Rockport, Thursday by Carleton, Norwood & Co. The date for the launching had been set for Saturday Feb. 6, but owing to the ice the launching was postponed. The schooner was christened with flowers by Miss Harriet W. Crocker, daughter of the future commander, Capt. William G. Crocker.

Fred E. McKenney of North Limington, has a flock of forty-four hens, consisting of thirty-six pullets and eight yearlings, that have laid in the month of January 441 eggs, making 36 dozen, and which were sold for 30 cents per dozen, or \$11.02. They laid from 8 to 19 a day, with a daily average of 14 and 7-31, which was an average of 10 and 1-44 for each hen for the month. The cost of keeping was as near 11 cents a day as it could be figured, or \$3.41 for the month, leaving a clean profit of \$7.61. If anyone has a flock of hens that has beaten this through the cold month of January, we would like to hear from them.

## World's Fair News-Notes.

The perfume woods and plants of the Philippine Islands will be shown at the World's Fair in a special collection.

California will install an olive oil factory in the California space in the Agriculture building at the World's Fair. The process of extracting the oil will be shown in all detail.

Idaho will make a big exhibit of tin ore at the World's Fair. Important discoveries of this metal, so rare in America, were made recently near Salmon City, Idaho.

## CASTORIA.

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## Hood's Sarsaparilla

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## ANDOVER.

Tuesday and Wednesday of last week were cold with a high wind. The stage could not get through Tuesday and made only one trip Wednesday.

On account of the bad weather, the Congregational Circle which was to have been held Wednesday was postponed.

Mr. Charles Stevens is slowly improving, but is not able to be out.

Mr. R. L. Melcher of Rumford Falls, was in town the 20th.

Lewis Hall who is cooking in Dunn's camp, came out to attend the K. P. ball.

Mr. Horatio Mitchell is quite ill and under the care of a physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Knight were in town Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Mitchell will occupy the house owned by Miss Miriam Winslow.

On Saturday, Feb. 20, there was a meeting of Lone Mountain Grange, and the first contest with Llewellyn Hall and Barbara Cushman as captains. After the initiation, the following program was given by Mr. Hall's side:

Musio. Mesdames Talbot and Eliot Reading, Mrs. W. W. Perkins Original Poem, W. W. Perkins Song, Miss A. M. Eliot Recitation, Mr. E. S. Dutton Speech, P. C. Hoyt Recitation, Mrs. J. H. Abbott Declaration, S. F. Abbott Clog dance, Lincoln Dresser Original poem, C. A. Andrews Recitation, John L. Bailey The program by Miss Cushman's side:

Song, Elwin Talbot Reading, Mrs. Hoyt Recitation, Mrs. J. W. Newton Reading, Mrs. O. B. Poor Song, Margery Burgess Reading, H. W. Poor Song, Miss Boylston Reading, Elwin Talbot Reading, Mrs. C. F. Lovejoy Reading, Miss Barbara Cushman The next contest will be March 5.

The Senior class of Andover High school will give their drama, "Diamonds and Hearts," on Thursday evening, Feb. 25.

Miss Alice Poor returned from a few days' visit at Rumford Falls Saturday.

Messrs. Akers and Abbott have finished their logging.

Rev. Mr. Holden preached a fine sermon Sunday, Feb. 21, from I Cor. I: 23-24.

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If you have Indigestion, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure you. It has cured thousands. It is curing people every day—every hour. You owe it to yourself to give it a trial. You will continue to suffer until you do try it. There is no other combination of digestants that digest and rebuild at the same time. Kodol does both. Kodol cures, strengthens and rebuilds. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

## United States Branch

## NATIONAL ASSURANCE CO.

of Dublin, Ireland.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Stocks and Bonds, \$535,312.62

Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,731.89

Agents' Balances, \$1,916.98

Gross Assets, \$538,961.49

Deduct items not admitted, \$14,572.54

Admitted Assets, \$524,388.95

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$58,920.12

Unearned Premiums, \$14,886.33

All other liabilities, \$7,500.00

Surplus over all liabilities, \$226,102.50

Total liabilities and surplus, \$607,408.95

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## GENERAL NEWS.

Miss Alice Roosevelt of Washington, D. C., is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. George C. Lee of Boston. The Lee home is on Beacon street in the Back Bay.

The 100th anniversary of the birth of Hon. David Wark Packard, of Fredericton, N. B., a Canadian senator was observed Friday. Senator Wark is believed to be the oldest legislator in the world.

Upon the heels of the announcement from St. Petersburg that Russia will abandon her proposed exhibit to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, Mr. Hajimeota, assistant commissioner general from Japan, has announced that every foot of exhibit space that is given up by Russia will be applied for by Japan.

Frozen water mains in Elmira, N. Y., have been thawed by a novel method and a water famine averted. Electricians connected a positive wire at one end of a hundred feet section and a negative wire at the other. The current was then turned on and the ice rapidly melted. The mains were six inches in diameter located five feet below the surface and were frozen solid.

The Greensboro Female college buildings in Greensboro, N. C., were destroyed by fire early Thursday. There were ninety inmates, including the faculty, all of whom escaped and saved most of their effects. The college proper was transferred last week to the two Methodist conferences of the State. The property was valued at \$125,000 with \$40,000 insurance on the buildings and equipment.

Dartmouth Hall, the oldest building at Dartmouth college, and one of the oldest college buildings in the country, having been built about 110 years ago, was burned to the ground the 18th. The loss is about \$25,000 partly covered by insurance. The first and second floors were used for recitation rooms and the third floor as a dormitory, in which about twenty-five students were quartered. The students lost all their belongings.

Mr. J. Malcolm Forbes, widely known as a patron of light harness racing and as a yachtsman is dead. Mr. Forbes was nearly 60 years of age. He was very wealthy and was for many years a heavy shareholder of the American Bell Telephone Co., and other properties. He was formerly commodore of the Eastern Yacht club and was noted as a horsebreeder. He had owned some of the speediest racers on the turf. In former years he actively participated in the defense of America's cup.

Elmer Dover, private secretary to the late Senator Hanna said to the many queries as to why the President did not come to Cleveland to attend Senator Hanna's funeral that it was the wish of the President personally to do so, but that after conference with members of the cabinet he realized that to do so would establish a precedent that he could not always comply with in the instance of the death of others of equal rank.

Lock-jaw caused by a cut on the hand from a transfer slip, has caused the death of George Powers, a street car conductor in New York. The cut was sustained two weeks ago while Powers was tearing the slip from his book for a passenger. In this connection the Board of Health has issued a mandate forbidding conductors to moisten their fingers with saliva in order to secure the transfers before dealing them out to passengers. Fear of disseminating disease germs caused the board's action.

During the interruption to telegraphic communication caused by the accident to the C. P. R. express near Halifax recently, Mr. Dawson, the Western Union company's superintendent, St. John, anxious to get a message with instructions to manager McKee in Halifax, addressed it to Supt. Fenn, direct cable office, who sent it to St. John. From there it was forwarded by the Atlantic cable to Ireland and handed to the direct company's office for transmission to Halifax. The reply to Manager McKee is ready on his way to Milford, and turned by the same route. The message and reply went over ten thousand miles in less than ten minutes.

News' Excursion  
TO THE  
St. Louis Exposition  
AND  
NIAGARA FALLS

Several will go as Guests of Honor and at our Expense, Others at Rock Bottom Prices.

The News proposes to conduct an Excursion to the St. Louis Exposition early in the summer, to accommodate such young people from this section as desire to attend that Exposition, which will be the greatest exposition that the world has ever seen or will be likely to see for many years to come. We have heard many young people express a desire to go to St. Louis, which fact has prompted the arrangement for this Excursion, not as a money-making scheme, but in order to secure to all the advantage of such excursion rates as may be obtainable. The editor, Mr. E. C. Bowler, who will personally conduct the party, will visit the Exposition during the month of May at which time he will secure the lowest possible rates for the party which he will take a few weeks later. And now as to

## Those Who Are To Go Free.

Yes, several of this party will go absolutely free as far as necessary expenses are concerned. We shall pay their railroad fares, Pullman service, hotel bills and fares into the Exposition, so that their only expense will be what they may choose to spend. Just who these fortunate ones will be, will be determined by a

## VOTING CONTEST

Not a voting contest like most voting contests in which one wins and all the others lose, but a contest in which all who work win.

In all contests some one has to be second, another third and so on; each of these may have worked just as hard as the first, but they get no reward. Notice the different St. Louis Contests running in the papers at the present time. In many cases there are scores in the fight, but in all cases, one will go and all the others will be disappointed.

## OUR PLAN.

Ours will be a Voting Contest just the same as the others, but will differ in the respect that each and every person who gets 16,000 votes will go at our expense. There is no limit as to field. People in the County or outside the County may enter. Any desiring to go under this proposition should enter their names at once before their friends have pledged their support to some one else. Votes will be counted according to the following schedule:

## SCHEDULE FOR COUNTING.

1. Each paper will contain a Coupon which when properly filled out and returned to us will count..... 1
2. Each dollar paid on new subscriptions will count..... 100
3. Each dollar paid on renewals by present subscribers will count..... 40
4. Each dollar paid on arrearsages by present subscribers will count..... 25
5. Each dollar paid on new advertising secured by the contestants or their friends will count..... 50
6. Each dollar for new advertising secured by such written contract as shall be acceptable to us will count..... 25
7. Each dollar paid for job printing will count..... 25

## CONDITIONS.

- Contestants must note these conditions carefully as they must be observed to the letter.
1. Votes once credited to one contestant cannot be withdrawn and given to another.
  2. Subscriptions discontinued and begun again during the contest will be credited at the renewal rate, even though they may have come in under another name in the same family.
  3. If a subscriber is in arrears and pays up to date and one or more years in advance, the amount to date will be received as arrearage and the balance as a renewal, as per schedule for counting.
  4. Credit on advertising must be for space actually secured by contestants and does not apply in any way to our present advertising. Any increased business which may be secured from our present subscribers will be counted, but no credit will be allowed on money paid for regular space now carried and begin again during the life of the contest, such will not be considered new business and no credit will be allowed.
  5. The same applies to job printing as to advertising. All must be new work. No credit will be given on any work already secured by the office.
  6. The standing of each contestant will be published each week.
  7. The Contest will close about June 20. The exact date will be given later. The Excursion will be as soon after the closing date as possible.

## Bethel News St. Louis Coupon.

One Vote For

Address

## NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE

CO. of Manchester, N. H.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Real Estate, \$165,781.62  
Mortgage Loans, 457,200.00  
Collateral Loans, 85,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 2,765,682.50  
Cash in Office and Bank, 212,047.17  
Agents' Balances, 171,617.04  
Interest and Rents, 13,339.00  
All other Assets, 11,278.77

Gross Assets, \$3,877,846.77

Admitted Assets, \$3,877,846.77

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$230,180.05

Unearned Premiums, \$1,421,415.51

All other liabilities, 35,704.06

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all liabilities, 1,193,546.08

Total liabilities and surplus, \$3,877,846.77

40 F FREELAND HOWE, Agent,  
Norway, Me.

## AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

St. Louis, Mo.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Mortgage Loans, \$9,500.00

Collateral Loans, 421,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 2,969,015.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 178,044.54

Agents' Balances, 238,496.44

Gross Assets, \$3,877,846.77

Admitted Assets, \$3,877,846.77

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$161,915.74

Unearned Premiums, 1,370,444.62

All other liabilities, 35,704.06

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all liabilities, 1,249,597.86

Total liabilities and surplus, \$3,877,846.77

403WH FREELAND HOWE, Agent,  
Norway, Maine.

## NEW JERSEY PLATE GLASS INS.

CO., Newark, N. J.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Mortgage loans, \$215,950.00

Collateral loans, 1,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 14,243.49

Cash in Office and Bank, 13,243.49

Agents' Balances, 17,395.88

Bills Receivable, 1,427.03

Interest and rents, 2,875.60

All other assets, 3,785.34

Gross Assets, \$270,499.74

Deduct items not admitted, \$14,441.41

Admitted Assets, \$256,058.33

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$3,460.18

Unearned Premiums, \$1,083.83

Cash capital, 100,000.00

Surplus over all liabilities, \$1,489.32

Total liabilities and surplus, \$256,058.33

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## CONTINENTAL CASUALTY CO.

Hammond, Ind.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Mortgage loans, \$268,440.05

Collateral loans, 175,000.00

Stocks and bonds, 206,380.38

Cash in office and bank, 72,820.39

Agents' balances, 63,183.89

Bills receivable, 3,733.28

Interest and rents, 11,450.08

All other assets, 767,115.63

Gross assets, \$1,568,123.65

Deduct items not admitted, 97,258.30

Admitted assets, \$1,470,865.35

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net unpaid losses, \$111,059.00

Unearned premiums, 810,733.23

All other liabilities, 130,177.51

Cash capital, 300,000.00

Surplus over all liabilities, 118,895.41

Total liabilities and surplus, \$1,470,865.35

EUGENE L. MILLET, Agent,  
40 F South Paris, Me.

## MARYLAND CASUALTY CO.

Baltimore, Md.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Real Estate, \$255,500.00

Stocks and Bonds, 2,254,563.28

Cash in Office and Bank, 50,100.56

Agents' Balances, 11,100.00

Bills Receivable, 6,681.16

Interest and Rents, 11,495.25

All other Assets, 395,101.80

Gross Assets, \$2,982,544.11

Deduct items not admitted, 23,722.34

Admitted Assets, \$2,958,821.77

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1903.

Net unpaid Losses, \$502,598.45

Unearned Premiums, 782,830.24

All other liabilities, Safety Reserve, 100,000.00

Cash Capital, 750,000.00

Surplus over all liabilities, 823,393.08

Total liabilities and surplus, \$2,958,821.77

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## THE DELAWARE INSURANCE CO.

of Philadelphia, Pa.

Third and Walnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1903.

Real Estate, \$200,000.00

Mortgage Loans, 149,700.00

Collateral Loans, 235,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 972,284.69

Cash in Office and Bank, 44,101.89



PSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE  
of Manchester, N. H.  
SETS DEC. 31, 1903.  
Assets, \$165,781.62  
Liabilities, 457,200.00  
Surplus, 2,766,682.50  
and Bank, 212,047.17  
Total, 171,617.64  
Total, 13,239.00  
Total, 11,278.77  
Total, \$3,877,846.77  
Assets, \$3,877,846.77  
Liabilities, \$230,180.05  
Surplus, 1,421,415.51  
Total, 32,704.06  
Total, 1,000,000.00  
Total, 1,193,546.08  
Total, \$3,877,846.77  
Assets, \$3,877,846.77  
Liabilities, \$230,180.05  
Surplus, 1,421,415.51  
Total, 32,704.06  
Total, 1,000,000.00  
Total, 1,193,546.08  
Total, \$3,877,846.77

ELAND HOWE, Agent,  
Norway, Me.  
INSURANCE COMPANY  
St. Louis, Mo.  
SETS DEC. 31, 1903.  
Assets, \$9,500.00  
Liabilities, 421,500.00  
Surplus, 2,969,615.00  
and Bank, 178,545.24  
Total, 238,488.44  
Total, \$3,817,728.48  
Assets, \$3,817,728.48  
Liabilities, \$161,915.74  
Surplus, 1,370,444.62  
Total, 35,770.26  
Total, 1,000,000.00  
Total, 1,249,597.86  
Total, \$3,817,728.48  
Assets, \$3,817,728.48  
Liabilities, \$161,915.74  
Surplus, 1,370,444.62  
Total, 35,770.26  
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Total, \$3,817,728.48

ELAND HOWE, Agent,  
Norway, Maine.  
PLATE GLASS INS.  
Newark, N. J.  
SETS DEC. 31, 1903.  
Assets, \$215,950.00  
Liabilities, 14,830.00  
Surplus, 13,240.00  
and Bank, 17,395.28  
Total, 1,427.03  
Total, 2,875.34  
Total, \$270,499.74  
Assets, \$270,499.74  
Liabilities, \$1,441.41  
Surplus, \$269,058.33  
Total, \$3,460.18  
Total, 84,108.83  
Total, 10,489.32  
Total, \$269,058.33  
Assets, \$269,058.33  
Liabilities, \$3,460.18  
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AL CASUALTY CO.,  
Amund, Ind.  
SETS DEC. 31, 1903.  
Assets, \$268,440.05  
Liabilities, 175,000.00  
Surplus, 206,380.98  
and Bank, 72,820.39  
Total, 63,183.89  
Total, 3,733.28  
Total, 11,450.08  
Total, 797,115.63  
Total, \$1,568,123.05  
Assets, \$1,568,123.05  
Liabilities, 97,258.50  
Surplus, \$1,470,864.55  
Total, \$1,470,864.55  
Assets, \$1,470,864.55  
Liabilities, \$11,059.00  
Surplus, 810,733.23  
Total, 130,177.51  
Total, 300,000.00  
Total, 118,895.41  
Total, \$1,470,864.55  
Assets, \$1,470,864.55  
Liabilities, \$11,059.00  
Surplus, 810,733.23  
Total, 130,177.51  
Total, 300,000.00  
Total, 118,895.41  
Total, \$1,470,864.55

CASUALTY CO.,  
Amund, Ind.  
SETS DEC. 31, 1903.  
Assets, \$255,500.00  
Liabilities, 2,252,563.28  
Surplus, 50,100.56  
and Bank, 11,101.06  
Total, 6,081.16  
Total, 11,496.25  
Total, 395,101.80  
Total, \$2,982,544.11  
Assets, \$2,982,544.11  
Liabilities, 237,222.34  
Surplus, \$2,938,821.77  
Total, \$2,938,821.77  
Assets, \$2,938,821.77  
Liabilities, \$502,598.45  
Surplus, 782,830.24  
Total, 100,000.00  
Total, 750,000.00  
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Total, \$2,938,821.77

INSURANCE CO.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
SETS DEC. 31, 1903.  
Assets, \$200,000.00  
Liabilities, 149,700.00  
Surplus, 235,000.00  
and Bank, 97,284.69  
Total, 44,101.89  
Total, 168,514.61  
Total, 15,827.41  
Total, 1,294.00  
Total, \$1,786,722.60  
Assets, \$1,786,722.60  
Liabilities, 11,513.01  
Surplus, \$1,775,209.59  
Total, \$1,775,209.59  
Assets, \$1,775,209.59  
Liabilities, \$72,550.00  
Surplus, 81,434.26  
Total, 29,420.04  
Total, 702,875.00  
Total, 158,930.29  
Total, \$1,775,209.59  
Assets, \$1,775,209.59  
Liabilities, \$72,550.00  
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Total, 702,875.00  
Total, 158,930.29  
Total, \$1,775,209.59

ELMAN, Agent,  
South Paris, Me.  
INSURANCE CO.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
SETS DEC. 31, 1903.  
Assets, \$200,000.00  
Liabilities, 149,700.00  
Surplus, 235,000.00  
and Bank, 97,284.69  
Total, 44,101.89  
Total, 168,514.61  
Total, 15,827.41  
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## WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

Longfellow's birthday next Saturday.

Drop West Bethel items in P. O. Box 55.

We are now passing through the Lenten season.

Geo. W. Briggs of Albany was in this village Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Mason are both quite ill from severe colds.

S. W. Potter, Esq. has our thanks for late copies of Portland and New York papers.

Mr. Sewell J. Walker of Auburn visited his mother and brothers over Sunday.

Pass in your votes to give some young friend a free trip to St. Louis in June.

The Bridgton man whose horse was recently frozen to death in his stall should now be fined for cruelty.

Nearly everything eatable seems to be advancing in prices, and fortunate are those who have some things to sell.

The mother of Mrs. Frank Powers, who has been with her mother since January, returned to her home in Mansfield, Mass., Monday.

Mercury was ten degrees below zero early Sunday morning, fifty degrees above at noon, and Monday morning rain. Such sudden and extreme changes cause much sickness.

A Cure For Eczema.

My baby had Eczema so bad that its head was a solid mass of scabs, and its hair all came out. I tried many remedies but none seemed to do any permanent good until I used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The Eczema is cured, the scabs are gone and the little one's scalp is perfectly clean and healthy, and its hair is growing beautifully again. I cannot give too much praise to DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve.—Frank Farmer, Bluff City, Ky. In buying Witch Hazel Salve look out for counterfeits. DeWitt's is the original and the only one containing pure Witch Hazel. The name E. C. DeWitt & Co. is on every box. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

NORTH ALBANY.

Mrs. Bert Brown went to Newburyport, Mass., last Monday.

Bert Brown has finished his bark contract.

The little snow Monday and the big blow Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, made the roads impassable for a few days.

Mary Scribner is staying with Mrs. F. Bennett at present.

B. B. Foster visited his sister the past week.

Mrs. Geo. Rolfe is quite poorly. Dr. Twaddle was called last Friday.

Dean Pingree was at home over Sunday.

Bilious Colic Prevented.

Take a double dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears and a threatened attack may be ward off. Hundreds of people use the remedy in this way with perfect success.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

GILEAD.

William Thompson has moved into the A. B. Lary house and is working for George Leighton.

E. R. Bennett and J. E. Richardson have been filling their ice house but it has been slow work on account of stormy weather.

Mr. William Watson, wife and son of Shelburne, N. H., were in town recently.

There was a very pleasant surprise party at Mr. John Newell's the 18th given by the Cornet Band in honor of one of his son's birthday. Owing to the bad travelling some were obliged to go on snowshoes. The band have the name of being a plucky set.

## SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Oscar F. Bowker was at home from Portland over Sunday.

E. N. Anderson and wife entertained his cousin Mrs. D. R. Hastings of Auburn, Saturday.

Mr. N. W. Ordway and wife of Portland were guests of E. N. Anderson and wife over Sunday.

Sunday morning, Feb. 14, the pulpit at the Baptist church was again supplied by Rev. L. E. Coffin.

Rev. J. H. Little and wife spent Sunday at Freeport where Mr. Little supplied the Universalist pulpit.

Sunday morning, Feb. 21, the pulpit at the Baptist church was filled by Rev. C. K. Flanders of Brunswick.

Rev. A. W. Pottle preached a very interesting sermon in the Universalist pulpit Sunday afternoon, Feb. 14.

Rev. A. W. Pottle went to Bowdoinham, Monday; Mrs. Pottle has been there several days her mother being very ill.

The lecture to be given in the Baptist church, Monday evening, was postponed on account of the illness of the lecturer, Dr. Spaulding.

Carrie Mathews left Thursday morning for Barton Landing, Vt., where she will live with her father. She has resided with Mrs. Ansel Swift for several years.

Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rawson Holman, 14 years of age, died Wednesday afternoon, after a long illness of Bright's disease. Her funeral, which was held on Friday, was attended by Rev. Dr. Brooks.

A very interesting service was held at the jail Sunday afternoon. Addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Brooks of this place, Rev. B. S. Rideout and Rev. E. S. Cotton of Norway. Two solos were sung by Mrs. Frank Kimball and there was singing by a chorus.

The men of the Congregational parish will serve the next circle supper at the vestry, Thursday evening, Feb. 25. They are making elaborate preparations for a supper which will meet the tastes of every one and will be served right up in style. The entertainment will be given by the Bates College Quartet with John David reader, who is well known in these villages.

Walter L. Gray of South Paris is announced as a candidate for the Republican nomination for representative to the legislature from the district composed of Paris, Buckfield and Milton Plantation. Mr. Gray is a young man of ability and is the junior member of the law firm of Wilson & Gray. He served several years as superintendent of schools for Paris and is well known to a large portion of the citizens of Paris and to many in the rest of the representative district.

Paris Grange had exercises specially commemorative of the "Father of His Country" at the Grange Hall, Saturday Feb. 20.

PROGRAMME.

Song, America.

Paper on private life of Washington, S. E. Jackson

Song.

Paper on public life of Washington, Achsa Shaw

Question: Resolved: That Washington was a leader with better judgment than Grant. Opened by W. S. Starbird, followed by S. P. Stearns, then general discussion.

Poem, George Washington, Harrison Farrar

Song.

Anecdotes of Washington, Members

Music

Why Not Have What You Want Without Expense

You can furnish your table with elegant silverware of the latest pattern, from the best makers.

WE GIVE

This handsome piece of 1847 Rogers Bros. extra plate silverware (the standard make of the world), with every year's subscription to our splendid home paper, the NEW YORK WEEKLY LITNESS, and make it very easy for you to secure the best of this set of beautiful teaspoons.

For over 80 years we have been building our business through satisfied customers. Send for free sample copy of the Witness, which contains interesting departments for every one in the family, and full directions how to get the full set of spoons absolutely without expense. If you wish send \$1.00 now and we will at once forward you, prepaid, this choice piece of silverware, and the Witness for one year. Address: NEW YORK LITNESS, 120 Nassau St., New York.

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## Ayer's

Give nature three helps, and nearly every case of consumption will recover. Fresh air, most important of all.

## Cherry Pectoral

Nourishing food comes next. Then, a medicine to control the cough and heal the lungs. Ask any good doctor.

"I first used Ayer's Cherry Pectoral 15 years ago. I have seen terrible cases of lung disease cured by it. I am never without it."

ALBERT G. HAMILTON, Marietta, Ohio.

25c. 50c. \$1.00. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Consumption

Health demands daily action of the bowels. Aid nature with Ayer's Pills.

Wedding Reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos L. Bean held their wedding reception at Grange Hall, Albany, on Friday evening, Feb. 19. The roads were in rather poor condition owing to the recent storm and blow, but this did not prevent a goodly number from gathering, there being nearly seventy present.

Promptly at nine o'clock the groom led his bride to the head of the hall, and in a pleasing manner introduced her as his wife to the assembled crowd. Then followed the grand march led by the bride and groom. As they began circling the hall, other couples speedily swung into line until but very few were left seated to watch the pleasing scene. Later refreshments consisting of candy and peanuts were served. Dancing was indulged in until the wee small hours. Every one pronounced it a most enjoyable occasion and joined in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Bean a long and happy life.

They were the recipients of many beautiful and useful presents. Following is the list: Miss Nina Bean, crumb tray and brush; Leslie Cummings, fancy cake plate; Elbridge Bird, glass set; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pierce, berry set; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bird, lamp; Master Bertie Bean, coffee pot; Miss Jennie Bean, lamp; Arthur D. Bean, water set and waiter; Nona Coates and Maitland Bird, sugar shell; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Allen, sugar shell; Clarence and Leamon Dudley, berry set; Miss Gertrude Sloan, cream pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. George H. Manley, pair of tablespoons; Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jenkins, pair of tablespoons; Mrs. W. B. Cummings, pair of tablespoons; Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Becker, glass set; Miss Ada O. Bean, hand painted china; Edith and Grace Manley, salt and pepper shaker; Miss Gladys Grover, vase; Mr. and Mrs. Carter Grover, tray cloth; Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews, glass water pitcher; Miss Lilla Cummings, fancy bread plate; Miss Alta Cummings, vinegar pitcher; Harmon Cummings, toothpick holder; W. B. Cummings, one-half dozen pie plates; Lauren L. Lord, butter knife; Mr. and Mrs. Abel Andrews, fancy cake plate; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kimball, pair of towels; Mrs. Angie Bean, bed-spread; Mr. Amos G. Bean, fore-plane; Mr. and Mrs. Omer Wing, sugar shell; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert I. Bean, center table; Miss Evie Hutchinson, fancy cake plate; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Cummings, money; Mrs. Myra Lord, sugar shell.

Newry Corner.

Owing to the bad state of the roads on Thursday, the usual number of Patrons of Bear River Grange were not out. At a recent meeting the question for discussion was, "Can the farmer adopt the eight hour system of labor?" It was decided to be impossible at some seasons of the year, and one sister declared the common farmer did not average eight hours a day throughout the year. "What would be the condition of the Grange without woman?" was the question at our last meeting. All could speak on that subject, testifying to the importance and usefulness of the sisters and the added pleasure of their society, socially. One brother thought them especially needed on feast days. One member likened a Grange without woman to bread without butter.

CANTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Signature of Dr. J. C. Ayer

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#### LATEST POPULAR MUSIC. MUSIC THAT SELLS.

VOCAL.					
Anona	30	Like a Star That Falls from Heaven	25	You're as Welcome as The Flowers	
Any Rags	25	Lights of Home	25	in May	25
Altar of Friendship	25	Mister Dooley	25	Your Dad Gave His Life for His	
Ain't it Funny What a Difference a Few Hours Will Make	25	My Alamo Love	25	Country	25
From The Yankee Consul	25	From The Tenderfoot	30		
Adios	25	Mid the Orange Trees and Blossoms	25	INSTRUMENTAL.	
Bill Bailey, Won't You Please Come Home	25	She is Waiting	25	Anona—Intermezzo	30
Banquet of Misery Hall	25	My San Domingo Maid	25	Alagazam—March and Two Step	25
Behind The Veil She Wears	25	From The Yankee Consul	25	Brown—March and Two Step	25
Because She Was an Old Sweetheart of Mine	25	Mother's Hymn To Me	25	Burning of Rome—Two Step	25
Bedelia	25	Navajo	25	Cecelia—Waltz	25
Bygone Days in Dixie	25	On a Moonlight Winter's Night	25	Cecile Belles—March and Two Step	25
By the Sycamore Tree	25	Only a Dream of the Golden Past	25	Dance of the Sunflowers	25
The Roger Brothers in London	25	Only a Soldier Boy	25	Diantha—Intermezzo	25
Come and Meet Me Sadie	25	Plain Mamie O'Hooley	25	Dancing in the Starlight—Schottische	30
From The Billionaire	25	From The Office Boy	30	Dance of the Songbirds	30
Congo Love Song	25	Pretty Little Dinah Jones	25	Dance of the Frowzy Heads	25
From Nancy Brown	25	Please Let Me Sleep	25	Dream Life—Waltzes	25
Cupid Has Found My Heart	25	Queen of The Underwood	25	Dixie Girl—March and Two Step	25
From The Yankee Consul	25	The Roger Brothers in London	25	Dreaming in the Shadow—Waltzes	25
Down Where the Swanee River Flows	25	Somebody is Waiting for Me	25	Dance of the Sparrows	25
Down on The Farm	25	Songs We Used to Sing	25	Ebony Guards—March	25
Down Where the Wurzburger Flows	25	Save It for Me From Nancy Brown	25	Future—March	25
Eat, Drink and Be Merry	25	Song I Hear in My Dreams	25	Garden of Roses—Intermezzo	25
Face in the Firelight	25	Song I Heard One Sunday Morn	25	Helmet of Navarre—Waltzes	30
Good Bye Eliza Jane	25	Summy	25	Heart of Courageous—Waltzes	30
Go Home	25	The Ocean, The Moon, and the Little Octoroon	25	Hiawatha	30
Hiawatha Song	30	The Silent Violin	25	Hearts and Flowers	30
Her Boy in The Rank and File	25	The Songs of Other Days	25	In a Nut Shell—Novelty	25
It was the Dutch	25	There's Nobody Just Like You	25	Jollier—March	25
I Ain't Got no Time	25	The Man in The Overalls	25	Laughing Water—Intermezzo	25
I've Come For My Answer Annie Lee	25	The Duel of Hearts and Eyes	25	La Miniature—Waltzes	25
In The Same Old Way	25	Under The Bamboo Tree	25	Malcom Williams—March	25
In Old New York	25	Under A Panama	25	Moon Moths—Schottische	25
From The Yankee Consul	25	Up in a Cocoonat Tree	25	Midnight Flyer—March	25
In The Days of Old	25	Under Southern Skies	25	Musette—Schottische	25
From The Yankee Consul	25	When the Leaves Begin to Fall	25	Newport Belles—March	25
In The Village by the Sea	25	When the Leaves Came Drifting Down	25	Navajo	25
In The Valley of Kentucky	25	When the Winter Time Comes Round	25	Our Leader—March	25
If You But Knew	25	While the Silver Bells are Ringing	25	Our Director—March	25
If I But Knew	25	When We Were Boys	25	Polly Prim—March	25
I'll Wed You in the Golden Summer Time	25	When the Mocking Birds are Singing	25	Peaceful Henry—Two Step	25
I'm Wearing My Heart Away for You in The Sweet Bye and Bye	25	When We Were Two Little Boys	25	Rose of Love—Waltzes	25
In The City of Signs and Tears	25	We've Got to Move To-Day	25	Rosedale—Three Step	25
In Dear Old Fairy Land	25	When The Spring Time Comes Around	25	Satur—Waltzes	25
I'm Going to Live Anyhow Till I Die Just For Tonight	25	When Kate and I Were Coming Thru the Rye	25	Soku—Intermezzo	30
		When the Autumn Leaves are Falling	25	Skipper—March and Two Step	25
		Where The Silvy Colorado Winds its Way	25	Sporting Maid—March	25
				Under The Rose—Waltzes	25
				Uncle Sammy—March and Two Step	25
				Yankee Consul—Selection	50
				Louisiana Lull—Schottische	25



## OLD MEXICO.

## Americans Are Changing the Natives' Lazy Customs.

The capital, the enterprise and initiative of the American people have enabled Mexico to leap from the tenth to the twentieth century. Mexico's fourteen millions of people are growing a thousand years in as many weeks. The whole territory of the republic is owned by about 7,000 land barons, with millions of peons for serfs. American enterprise, with its investment of \$500,000,000, has dealt peonage a deadly blow. The peon under the Mexican system earned 15 cents a day, and was always kept in debt by his patron, who held him permanently by this obligation, and transferred him with every sale of the estate to the purchaser. But the Americans, with their railroads, farming methods, smelters and industrial energy generally, have bid up the price of labor to 75 cents, \$1, and more a day. The peon thus pays off his debts and becomes a free man. The Mexican Government offers free education to his children, from the elementary school to the university, and schooling will soon become compulsory.

Mexican trade with the United States is constantly on the increase. We sold the sister republic in 1901-1902 a third more than all the rest of the world combined. We bought from her four times more than she sold to all other nations. The uncertain value of Mexico's silver money affects trade injuriously, making it a gamble. The bootblack must raise the price of his shine when silver depreciates. Wages do not rise correspondingly. Capital figures on a margin of 30 per cent., and yet often loses money.

American capital is, in spite of this drawback, pouring into the land of the Montezumas. Seventy per cent. of all American money invested in Mexico has gone into railroad development. The Mexican Central has taken \$150,000,000; the National, \$107,500,000. Eighty per cent. of all Mexican railway capital is American. There is now a railway mileage there of 11,000, and it is steadily growing. All the important systems but three are owned by Americans, and in these three Americans are heavy stockholders. They have recently acquired the National from the British and the Gulf line from the Belgians. The United States furnishes the operating officers, conductors, engineers and sometimes the entire train crew.

American methods are rejuvenating the old Mexican mines. Americans are improving the great ranches and developing the manufacture of cotton faster than the raw material can be supplied by Mexico. Some of the raw cotton has thus to be imported from the United States. There are American factories of every kind everywhere. Americans are constructing great irrigation dams and canals. The Mexican people are adopting American ways. The American circus has taken the descendants of the Aztec sun worshippers by storm. The typewriter is a popular institution. A wireless telegraph system connects the opposite shores of the Gulf of California. Best of all, the Mexicans propose to elect a successor to Diaz without a revolution. Even more striking is the grasp of American capital and enterprise on the Canadian dominion.

The spirit of Old Glory, therefore, reigns from Yucatan to Greenland, and blesses a whole continent with an Americanization benefiting its every interest.—Louisville Herald.

## "One of Our Boys."

The magnanimity of Gen. Robert E. Lee is well known, but the daily manifestations of it are not yet all told. One notable case has, it is believed, never before appeared in print.

Gen. Lee was sitting on the veranda of his Lexington home one afternoon, engaged in conversation with some friends, when a man, ill-clothed and covered with dust, appeared at the gate and timidly beckoned to the General.

Apologizing to his friends, Lee rose at once and went to the gate. Very soon his purse appeared and he was seen to give the man some money.

His friends, knowing the extent of his charity in any case of suffering, real or apparent, looked on with some impatience, for they knew how slender his means were then, and how many calls of the same kind come to him.

"General, who was that?" one of them ventured, when he had returned to his place.

"One of our boys in trouble," was the half-smiling answer, for the General knew the remonstrance which his friend was longing to make.

"What regiment and company did he belong to?" persisted the friend, anxious, if possible, to unearth the suspected fraud.

"Oh, he—he fought on the other side," was Gen. Lee's calm answer.—Youth's Companion.

## First Three Guns at Sumter.

A son of the late Major Wade Hampton Gibbs, of Columbia, S. C., says that it was his father who, as a lieutenant, fired the first gun, a signal gun, at the attack on Fort Sumter, Charleston Harbor, on the morning of April 12, 1861. He writes: "At Lieut. Gibbs's battery the signal gun was aimed to burst a shell high in the air; another gun was carefully aimed at the fort; and the wives were laid ready to explode a mine under an old house in the way. As nearly as possible these things were done simultaneously. Now, which of the three shots fired at the fort from the three separate mortar batteries by Captain James, Mr. Ruffin or Lieutenant Gibbs's battery was the second shot no man may certainly say."—Charleston News and Courier.

## Bad Dreams

Too often seemingly trifling complaints of children are put off as things of no consequence. Every unnatural action is a symptom of disorder and deserving of careful investigation. Worms more than anything else are the cause of childhood sickness. Attacking, as they do, the stomach and bowels, the effect of their presence is felt throughout the whole system and made known by nervousness, peevishness, disturbed sleep, erratic appetite, weak stomach and general lassitude.

## Dr. True's Elixir

is the surest and safest worm remedy ever compounded—but it is more than that. As a tonic and general corrective it is unequalled. It tones stomach and bowels, cleanses and purifies the blood, and sends renewed health tingling through the veins. For over 50 years the most popular home remedy. Sold at all druggists. Write for free booklet on "Children and Their Diseases."

DR. J. F. TRUE & CO., Auburn, Me.

## BERLIN, N. H.

The death of John Green at Stratford last week, brings a shade of sadness to those who knew him as a jolly, whole-souled sporting man a dozen years or so ago.

Mrs. A. E. Kelley and Miss Annie Wheeler have returned from a visit in Lewiston.

A. W. Walters who has been confined to the house for several weeks is now able to attend to his business.

Rev. Herbert A. Jump of Brunswick, Me., was in the city recently.

Miss Meda Coffin and Mrs. Frank Hamlin were visitors to Boston for a few days the past week.

Edwin Jimmerson of Corliss, Wis., arrived in the city last week, to take charge of the setting of the engines in the new mill at the Cascades.

The United States Circuit Court Grand Jury reported indictments under twenty-five different heads against Albert H. Eastman, the Berlin banker, whose case has been under consideration in this court since last December.

E. A. Steady has just received a flattering offer to join a concert company who have engagements with the Redpath Concert Bureau covering a period of fifteen to twenty-five weeks beginning November 1.

E. H. Tardivel has moved into the house formerly occupied by Jos. Steinfeld on Hemlock street.

I. F. Jacobs is still confined to the house with rheumatism, but is slowly improving.

F. M. Clement has left for Coyville, Kan., to resume his duties as superintendent for the Security Oil and Development Co. of Springfield, Ill.

A. H. Eastman was re-elected president of the Berlin, N. H., National bank at the meeting of the stockholders, the 15th.

## Woman Beat Two Men.

We suspect you'd like the tale, how a woman beat two hardware dealers in Girard, Pa.

Devote salesman tried his best to get those men to sell Devote lead-and-zinc in that bright town; and failed. Reluctantly took Mrs. E. R. Bowman, druggist.

They said they couldn't sell paint for more than \$1.25 a gallon Mrs. Bowman can. She has sold about all the paint, that has been sold there since.

She knew Devote; had sold his artists' materials. Had some sense and force, besides; she easily learned that cheap is dear in paint, and told the people.

Mr. Burt Young bought a gallon Devote for rooms that had always taken a gallon of other paint; had half left.

Mr. John Hanna, grocer, thought it expensive before he bought it; brought back nearly half of his paint, and said it was the cheapest job he ever had.

Mrs. Bowman reports universal satisfaction. So much for a cheap paint town with a bright woman in it.

G. R. WILEY.

## What Are They?

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. A new remedy for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and a good one. Price 25 cents. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

## GROVER HILL.

Marshall Whitman has been quite ill the past week.

Bion F. Browne was at home from Mason, Sunday.

Clyde Whitman, is soon to return from Milan, N. H., where he has had employment.

A. B. Grover is obliged to draw water from the brook for his entire stock of cattle.

E. R. Whitman of Boston contemplates visiting friends in Bethel soon.

Mrs. E. C. Barnard who has been for the past four months at a sanitarium in Melrose, Mass., has returned to her home at Bellows Falls, Vt.

## When You Have a Cold.

The first action when you have a cold should be to relieve the lungs. This is best accomplished by the free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This Remedy liquefies the tough mucus and causes its expulsion from the air cells of the lungs, produces a free expectoration, and opens the secretions. A complete cure soon follows. This remedy will cure a severe cold in less time than any other treatment and it leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

## GRAFTON.

Will Otis drove up from Newry, Sunday on a short business trip.

Mr. W. E. Pratt came up from Newry Saturday night for a short visit at home; he returned Sunday afternoon.

R. B. Thurston has transferred one of his heavy teams from Cambridge to his lumbering operations at Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Farrar of Portland, who have been visiting his folks the past month returned to their home last Saturday.

Several people in town have had much trouble to maintain their necessary supply of water; the springs are so low that the flow of water is so limited it is with much difficulty that the aqueducts are kept from freezing.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists. See Hall's Family Pills are the best.

## Cross?

Poor man! He can't help it. He gets bilious. He needs a good liver pill—Ayer's Pills. They act directly on the liver, cure biliousness.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use BUCKINGHAM'S DYE. S. G. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

## WIT AND WISDOM.

"Uncle Sam" has not killed any of the Colombians yet.

Dyspepsia—bane of human existence. Burdock Blood Bitters cures it, promptly, permanently. Regulates and tones the stomach.

Happiness cannot be bought at a bargain counter.

Is it a burn? Use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. A cut? Use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. At your druggists.

The road of prejudice never leads to the realm of pleasure.

Coughs and colds, down to the very borderland of consumption, yield to the soothing, healing influences of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

Don't believe the world is flat just because your father did.

Only one remedy in the world that will at once stop itchiness of the skin in any part of the body; Doan's Ointment. At any drug store, 50 cents.

The poorest author is the one who is forced to borrow his thoughts.

The Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine, on Munjoy Hill, is successfully curing drunkards and drug users.

The man who never made a mistake in his life is an old bachelor.

When you feel blue and think that everything goes wrong, take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will cleanse and invigorate your stomach, regulate your bowels, give you a relish for your food and make you feel that in this old world is a good place to live. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

The man who has no business of his own to attend to is pretty apt to try to attend to some other man's affairs.

## Many Children are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, Break up Colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all druggists. Samples mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The man who prides in the delusion that he is always right is simply too stupid to comprehend when he is wrong.

**CASTORIA.**  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Beware the Signature

When you see a man going upward, don't try to pull him back, but mount the ladder and climb right up behind him.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children.

Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the bowels and destroy worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. They never fail. At all druggists. Samples mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

To steal a loaf of bread to feed a starving family is larceny, but to swindle a lonely widow out of her estate is finance.

## Nothing More Dangerous

Than Cutting Cuts. The Foot-Ease Sanitary Corn Plasters cure by absorption. Something entirely new. The sanitary oils and vapors do the work. Sold by all druggists and by mail. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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Some people cannot stay out of bad company even when they are alone.

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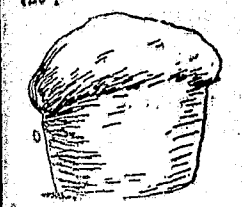
**To Cure a Cold in One Day**  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. *E. H. Brown*  
Seven Million Boxes Sold in past 12 months. On every box 25c.

## WHAT IT

A Statistical Table Shows of Liquors, Comparing duties for New

BY H. N. PR

For the year ending 1900, the United States was the largest on \$15.38 per capita, or \$1,200,000,000. The of this immense sum the pockets of poor



Bread \$600,000,000



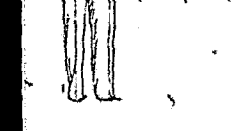
Meat \$410,000,000

For the 1,134,000,000 liquor consumed in the was expended a sum times as large as the bill, and twice the cost. In consequence of many butchers and their goods a slack poor pay.

Money and work the manufacture of productive, like the ital which feed the town burns up. If 73,000,000 bushels of rye, wheat and oats brewed and distilled burned in the elevator 4,000 brewers and 200,000 retailers had whole time pound nation would have for it.

The greatest final in the U. S., is the liquor. We spend for this unproductive common which exceeds all the national treasury, what is in circulation bill exceeds the production of coal mines. It equals all the horses, mules the country. It is cotton or wheat, an output from our eight times the sum. In no decade have famine, flood, all combined, created

Cotton and Woolen Goods, \$550,000,000



Iron and Steel Products \$400,000,000

After such expenditures in alcoholic natural that the country have less dry goods men and hers. The demoralized patrons of the merchant's goods able to buy them.

The liquor traffic the laboring class amount of employment tuting the brewery which employ few textile factories, mine employ many. O thousand dollars investing will give employment many men as \$640,0 the manufacture of it.

Labor also suffers the drunkenness, disease and death caused by. Statisticians estimate \$885,000,000 annually. For each dollar invested there is an average seventy-five cents. oblety men, lose the or, after being pilot, book-keeper, descended lucrative place.

The greatest labor this country is the liquor. Every family of five pays to the saloons tribute of \$77.90, and a loss of fifty-eight d

Were this money spent food, house furnish vehicles, etc., there happier homes and test which leads to chaunts and manufact



## WHAT IT COSTS.

A Statistical Table Showing the Cost of Liquors, Compared to Expenditures for Necessities.

BY H. N. PRINGLE.

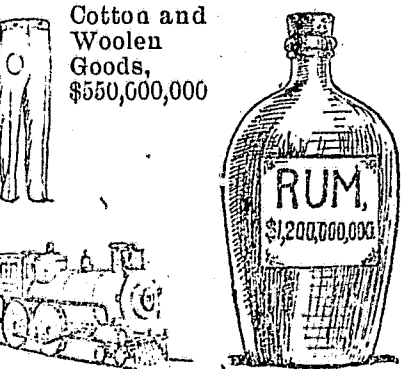
For the year ending June 30, 1900, the United States drink bill was the largest on record, viz: \$15.38 per capita, or a total of nearly \$1,200,000,000. The largest part of this immense sum came from the pockets of poor men.



Bread \$600,000,000  
Meat \$410,000,000  
For the 1,134,000,000 gallons of liquor consumed in the U. S., there was expended a sum nearly three times as large as the nation's meat bill, and twice the cost of its bread. In consequence of such waste, many butchers and bakers get for their goods a slack market and poor pay.

Money and work which go into the manufacture of liquor is unproductive, like the labor and capital which feed the flames when a town burns up. If, instead, the 72,000,000 bushels of barley, corn, rye, wheat and oats which were brewed and distilled had been burned in the elevators, and if the 4,000 brewers and distillers and 200,000 retailers had spent their whole time pounding sand, our nation would have been no poorer for it.

The greatest financial question in the U. S., is the liquor question. We spend for this unnecessary and destructive commodity a sum which exceeds all the gold in the national treasury, together with what is in circulation. Our drink bill exceeds the product of all our coal mines. It equals the value of all the horses, mules and cows in the country. It is three times the cotton or wheat, and thrice the output from our forests. It is eight times the sum paid for pensions. In no decade of our history have famine, flood, fire and war, all combined, created so much cost.



Iron and Steel Products  
\$400,000,000

After such extensive investments in alcoholic beverages, it is natural that the people of this country have less money for the dry goods men and hardware dealers. The demoralized and impoverished patrons of the saloon are usually the people most in need of the merchant's goods and least able to buy them.

The liquor traffic also deprives the laboring class of an immense amount of employment by substituting the brewery and distillery, which employ few men, for the textile factories, mines, etc., which employ many. One hundred thousand dollars invested in weaving will give employment to as many men as \$640,000 invested in the manufacture of liquors.

Labor also suffers loss through the drunkenness, disease, detention and death caused by intoxicants. Statisticians estimate this loss at \$885,000,000 annually in the U. S. For each dollar invested in drink there is an average wage loss of seventy-five cents. Through inebriety men lose their situations, or, after being pilot, conductor, or book-keeper, descend to a less lucrative place.

The greatest labor question in this country is the liquor question. Every family of five in the U. S. pays to the saloons an average tribute of \$77.90, and suffers a wage loss of fifty-eight dollars more. Were this money spent for good food, house furnishings, books, vehicles, etc., there would be happier homes and less of discontent which leads to strikes. Merchants and manufacturers would

## Consumption

Salt pork is a famous old-fashioned remedy for consumption. "Eat plenty of pork," was the advice to the consumptive 50 and 100 years ago.

Salt pork is good if a man can stomach it. The idea behind it is that fat is the food the consumptive needs most.

Scott's Emulsion is the modern method of feeding fat to the consumptive. Pork is too rough for sensitive stomachs. Scott's Emulsion is the most refined of fats, especially prepared for easy digestion.

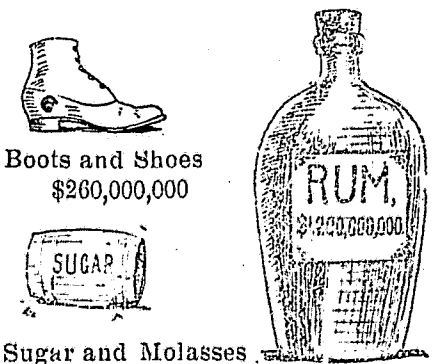
Feeding him fat in this way, which is often the only way, is half the battle, but Scott's Emulsion does more than that. There is something about the combination of cod liver oil and hypophosphites in Scott's Emulsion that puts new life into the weak parts and has a special action on the diseased lungs.



A sample will be sent free upon request. Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.  
**SCOTT'S BOWNE,**  
CHEMISTS,  
409 Pearl St., N. Y.  
50c. and \$1; all druggists.

see an era of unparalleled prosperity, and every field, factory and forest would be calling for labor.

Every legitimate business, if rightly conducted, is mutually profitable to proprietor and patron. This is never true of the liquor

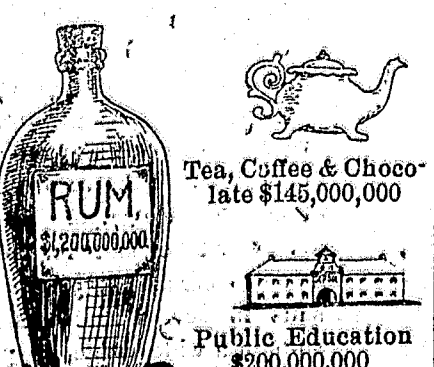


Sugar and Molasses  
\$200,000,000

It benefits the seller but it demoralizes or impoverishes everybody else. The drinking man's children lack shoes and the shoe dealer lacks customers, because fathers turn so much of their earnings over to tap-tenders of this twelve million dollar jug. In the same town where saloons flourish and enlarge their business, shoe factories fail and children go barefoot in winter.

The poor man's pantry cannot be well supplied with sugar and other groceries, if he is a supporter of the saloon. In many cases, what little he buys is ultimately paid for by total abstainers, who settle their own bills and his.

The drinker, thinly clad, poorly fed and excited by alcohol, is the victim of disease, as well as debt. His heart must pump 6,000 extra strokes each day; his system is out of order; longevity is diminished; even the insurance man does not want him. The liquor traffic is a great sociological evil. Its cost cannot be reckoned in dollars. Why are 85,000 paupers in our poor houses, 23,000 persons in our jails, 20,000 in reformatories, 64,000 in prisons and 124,000 in insane asylums? Authorities attribute from fifty to seventy-five per cent. of this cost, misery and sin to the use of alcoholic liquors.



Tea, coffee and chocolate are after water the best drinks to be found. And yet for these four beverages the U. S. expends only one eighth as much as for

that one, which produces disease, drunkenness, delirium and death. What the betel nut is to the Pacific Islander, or opium to the Chinese, that is alcohol to the Americans.

The people of U. S. exalt education, and yet the saloon has six times the revenue enjoyed by our public schools. There are many towns which expend annually for drink the value of all their school-houses, together with the expenses of their maintenance.

By education and agitation the people of our State and country are being aroused against the baneful traffic now defended by the avaricious, corrupt and vicious, but destined to be suppressed, like polygamy, slavery, dueling, lotteries and the other vices that used to afflict society. When men know all the costs of this traffic they will refuse to sustain it, or tolerate it.

The liquor question has its financial, industrial and sociological sides. It is also a moral question. Statistics do not tell the whole story. It is only a partial summary that drink takes \$600,000,000 from the pockets of the poor; causes half the loss and suffering that come to the ears of the court; slays sixty thousand men annually; taxes every legitimate business and undermines good government. These are not even leading items. Only the Almighty's book has the entries of honor tarnished, virtue fallen, character ruined, friends lost, affection dead and souls damned, because of drink.

Bath Times, April 20, 1902.

## PROTECTS THE SYSTEM AGAINST CATARRH

Hyomei Prevents Colds and Cures Grip and Catarrh. Money Back if It Fails.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." A few breaths of Hyomei through the neat pocket inhaler that comes with every outfit will check a cold or the grip at the start, and prevent serious and lasting illness.

In all catarrhal troubles and diseases of the air passages, Hyomei has a positive action not possessed by any other medicine or treatment. It is pleasant and convenient to use; simply put 20 drops of Hyomei in the inhaler and breathe it a few minutes, four times a day. In this way, every particle of air that enters the lungs is charged with a healing balsam that kills all catarrhal germs, soothes and allays the irritated mucous membrane, vitalizes the blood with ozone, and makes a permanent and complete cure.

A Hyomei outfit costs only \$1, and contains an inhaler, medicine dropper and bottle of Hyomei. The inhaler lasts a lifetime and when more Hyomei is needed, extra bottles can be obtained for 50c.

G. R. Wiley gives his personal guarantee with every Hyomei outfit he sells to refund the money if it does not cure.

## Ho For Summer Climes!

The Grand Trunk Railway System have issued a handsome publication entitled "Winter Tours to Colorado and California," and which are now in their City Ticket Offices for free distribution. The publication deals with the attractions of the States of Colorado and California as winter resorts for Eastern people, and as the present season is the time to visit these Western resorts for pleasure, and the invalid for health, the publication is issued at an opportune time. It is handsomely illustrated with views of Manitou Springs, Pike's Peak, Gateway to the Garden of the Gods, Grand Canyon of Arizona, views in the Yosemite Valley, and the Big Trees of California; also views of interesting points on the line of the Grand Trunk. There is also a fund of information regarding Personally Conducted Excursions to these Western Points, time tables of trains, maps, etc.

Copies may be had on application to J. Quinlan, District Passenger Agent, Bonaventure Station, Montreal.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. Fitch.

## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sized bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both Home of Swamp-Root, sent free by mail, Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

## THE BEST FEEDS FOR SWINE.

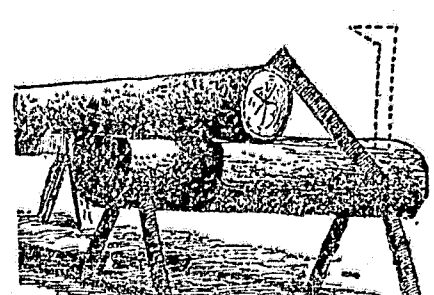
Wheat Ground in a Mixture with Corn Most Valuable.

The following regarding feeds for swine is credited to Prof. W. A. Henry: Among the grains ground what has been found to have the same feeding value as ground corn. Generally speaking, a bushel of wheat will produce twelve pounds of pork. Wheat for hogs should be ground and fed moistened either with water or milk. Dry whole wheat has not been fed satisfactorily. Even when soaked, a large percentage of the grain passes through the hogs and appears unbroken in the droppings. The best results have been obtained where wheat has been fed ground in a mixture with ground corn.

Ground barley has proved about 8 per cent. less valuable for producing gain in hogs five to fourteen months old than ground corn. Pigs relish barley meal most when soaked in a comparatively large amount of water, at least three pounds of water to each pound of meal. Barley is thought especially desirable for growing hogs and to add variety to the ration. Oats in the proportion of one-third ground oats to two-thirds cornmeal have been fed with good results. Whole oats scattered thinly on the floor is reported excellent for brood sows when maintenance and not rapid gain is desired. Sorghum-seed meal fed wet had a feeding value of about 55 per cent. of that of cornmeal. Hogs maintained themselves and made some gain on sorghum sirup skimmings alone. When fed with cornmeal good gains were made.

Hogs did not relish pigeon-grass seed alone, but on one-third pigeon-grass to two-thirds cornmeal what made nearly as good gains as on cornmeal alone. When pigeon-grass seed was cooked, it appeared more palatable to pigs than when fed raw. When so prepared it may constitute two-thirds of the ration. Better gains were made on a ration of two-thirds cooked pigeon-grass seed and one-third cornmeal than on cornmeal alone.

How to Hold a Log. The illustration below shows an effective device for holding a post or stick of timber while it is being hewn or sawed. A "horse" is made of any good pattern with either rough or sawed timber. To this is pivoted a



"dog" or hook of iron or steel as shown in the engraving. The hook is driven into the log to be held in place, and is readily liberated by a few taps from below. Such a device can be made by any blacksmith, and may be light or heavy as desired.

## Perfect Confidence.

Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup, there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease. Mrs. M. I. Bastford, of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of her experience in the use of that remedy says: "I have a world of confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, for I have used it with perfect success. My child, Garland, is subject to severe attacks of croup and it always gives him prompt relief." This remedy is for sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

## IN THE APIARY.

Successful wintering of bees depends, to a great extent, on their management. Late, unsealed honey is poor food for winter, and should never be used for feeding purposes. If extracting be continued late, there is more or less danger, unless full sealed combs have been set aside for this purpose; otherwise the late unsealed honey may be extracted, and good sugar syrup be substituted.

In harvesting fall honey, the extractor is invaluable, for the bees will not store the honey in boxes when combs must be built, nearly so fast as in the brood chamber, where instinct teaches them it must be filled for winter.

Keep no queenless stocks unless it is intended to introduce queens, in which case, one or two combs of hatching brood, from stocks that can best spare them, should be inserted, in order to secure young bees for winter. It is quite necessary to keep the cap of the hive warm at night by artificial means, as the bees are very apt to leave boxes when the nights are cool, and thus retard their work to such an extent that we have many unfinished boxes, where, with the necessary warmth, they would have been completed.

Where the honey harvest has ceased, the bees may be divided, giving them young queens. Where any stocks have old queens, these should be destroyed, and young queens introduced. With a little care, the supply of queens can be kept on hand. At this time of the year, should feeding be necessary for this purpose, feed as fast as possible, unless it is desired to stimulate brood rearing, when the entrance feeder may be used with good effect. Keep the queens laying as long as possible, to have a populous stock.—W. B. Treadwell.

## White Wyandottes.

We herewith present our readers with an illustration of the White Wyandottes. They are of American origin, and are a "sport" from the well-known Wyandottes. They originated some years ago, and now are added to the long list of varieties of poultry. While it requires comparatively less time to "fix" the characteristics of poultry than of general live stock, and to perpetuate their peculiarities so they can merit the term of "breed," it cannot be done in a few years. This estab-



lishing new breeds is a pleasant pastime for amateur breeders, and no doubt goes far towards maintaining the interest in thoroughbred poultry; but when it comes to the really desirable, economic and profitable points, there may be some objections raised. The typical White Wyandottes are of medium size, have clean, yellow legs, rose-colored combs, and mature rapidly. The most enthusiastic friends of this new breed even do not claim any special excellence for it is not possessed by the standard breed of Wyandottes, except the white plumage, which appears to be its chief, if not its only, recommendation. Thus far



we fail to see any decided improvement upon the breed from which they are an offshoot, and while they may be of some interest to amateur breeders, we would not advise one to discard the beautiful laced Wyandottes for these new-comers. Those who fancy solid colored breeds cannot fail to be well pleased with these new claimants for popular favor, for, while they are not "better than the best," they are worthy of attention and trial.

## Layering Roses.

Roses may be layered for propagation during the summer, but should not be separated from the parent plant and transplanted until the following spring. Fasten down a branch, after cutting it partly through with a knife and inserting a toothpick or match to hold the cut open, and cover this portion with earth.

If a bird knows ducks and has a suitable range for them with a pond of clean water containing aquatic animal and vegetable life, ducks can be raised at little cost.

## QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA.

Assets Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate, \$150,000.00  
Mortgage Loans, 71,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 5,799,534.28  
Cash in Office and Bank, 1,035,584.44  
Agents' Balances, 373,110.25  
Interest accrued, 70,444.39  
All other Assets, 2,050.34  
Total Admitted Assets, \$6,164,735.96  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$337,877.85  
Unearned Premiums, 2,126,085.53  
All other Liabilities, 97,067.17  
Cash Capital, 500,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$3,003,705.41  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,164,735.96  
W. J. WHEELER & CO.,  
38 South Paris, Maine.

## THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY.

New York, N. Y.  
Assets Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate, \$1,593,825.06  
Mortgage Loans, 91,500.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 14,777,010.00  
Cash in Office and Bank, 1,773,793.99  
Agents' Balances, 1,002,435.40  
Bills Receivable, 520.13  
Interest and Rents, 1,971.50  
Gross Assets, \$18,049,793.99  
Admitted Assets, \$18,049,793.99  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$97,071.65  
Unearned Premiums, 6,897,613.06  
All other Liabilities, 89,357.85  
Cash Capital, 3,000,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$1,574,751.49  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$18,049,793.99  
U. S. BRANCH SUN INSURANCE  
OFFICE of London, England.

## FREE LAND HOWE, Agent.

Assets Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate, \$230,073.79  
Mortgage Loans, 57,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 2,013,036.85  
Cash in Office and Bank, 379,610.97  
Agents' Balances, 273,635.90  
Interest and Rents, 2,083.31  
All other Assets, 26,025.90  
Gross Assets, \$2,982,436.71  
Deduct Items not admitted, 37,729.99  
Admitted Assets, \$2,944,706.72  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$210,695.28  
Unearned Premiums, 1,720,851.80  
All other Liabilities, 12,106.21  
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$60,153.86  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$2,944,706.72  
FREE LAND HOWE, Agent,  
38 Norway, Maine.

## THE AMERICAN FIRE INS. CO., Philadelphia.

Assets Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate, \$398,080.21  
Mortgage Loans, 761,212.40  
Stocks and Bonds, 1,502,100.00  
Cash in Office and Bank, 1,180,331.50  
Agents' Balances, 109,440.31  
Bills Receivable, 289,011.59  
Interest and Rents, 30,177.33  
All other Assets, 40,555.99  
Gross Assets, \$2,865,504.41  
Admitted Assets, \$2,865,504.41  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$166,685.32  
Unearned Premiums, 1,412,120.05  
All other Liabilities, 32,664.06  
Cash Capital, 500,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$34,053.78  
Total Liabilities, \$2,865,504.41

## LONDON &amp; LANCASHIRE FIRE INS. COMPANY, of Liverpool, England.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate, \$190,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 1,382,530.50  
Cash in Office and Bank, 477,341.11  
Cash in hands of U. S. Trustees, 75,000.00  
Agents' Balances, 289,011.59  
Bills Receivable, 2,350.81  
Interest and Rents, 30,177.33  
All other Assets, 40,555.99  
Gross Assets, \$2,865,504.41  
Deduct Items not admitted, 6,693.60  
Admitted Assets, \$2,858,810.81  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$116,279.02  
Unearned Premiums, 1,647,005.51  
All other Liabilities, 34,825.07  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,003,705.27  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$2,858,810.81  
FREE LAND HOWE, Agent,  
38 Norway, Maine.

## NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY, Norwich, England.

Assets Dec. 31, 1903.  
Mortgage Loans, \$170,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 2,169,074.75  
Cash in Office and Bank, 279,075.75  
Agents' Balances, 279,075.75  
Interest and Rents, 21,000.48  
All other Assets, 2,050.50  
Gross Assets, \$2,911,277.23  
Deduct Items not admitted, 10,794.31  
Admitted Assets, \$2,900,482.92  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$18,128.21  
Unearned Premiums, 1,556,744.59  
All other Liabilities, 40,405.58  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,005,104.52  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$2,900,482.92

## THE FRANKLIN FIRE INS. CO., of Philadelphia.

Assets Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate, \$34,200.00  
Mortgage Loans, 90,808.00  
Collateral Loans, 20,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 2,532,245.00  
Cash in Office and Bank, 70,450.37  
Agents' Balances, 123,457.10  
Interest and Rents, 1,350.47  
Gross Assets, \$3,141,594.44  
Admitted Assets, \$3,141,594.44  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$116,279.02  
Unearned Premiums, 1,647,005.51  
All other Liabilities, 34,825.07  
Cash Capital, 400,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,005,104.52  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,141,594.44

## FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA.

Assets Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate, \$41,327.50  
Mortgage Loans, 1,311,075.39  
Collateral Loans, 20,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, 3,463,554.09  
Cash in Office and Bank, 273,283.14  
Agents' Balances, 507,066.84  
Interest and Rents, 54,502.97  
All other Assets, 3,733.30  
Gross Assets, \$6,345,743.74  
Deduct Items not admitted, 13,140.00  
Admitted Assets, \$6,332,603.74  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$339,680.50  
Unearned Premiums, 4,570,925.25  
Cash Capital, 800,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 931,802.93  
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,332,603.74  
W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,  
38 South Paris, Maine.

## ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, of Hartford, Conn.

(Incorporated in 1867.)  
Amount at Risk, \$41,051,840.00  
CASH ASSETS, Dec. 31, 1903.  
Real Estate owned by the Company, \$55,333.04  
Loans on Bond and Mortgage, (first liens), 41,158.00  
Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, market value, 1,782,817.38  
Cash in the Company's principal office and in Bank, 136,001.99  
Interest due and accrued, 124,757.87  
Premiums in due course of collection, 958.07  
All other Assets, 958.07  
LIABILITIES Dec. 31, 1903.  
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims, \$115,186.67  
Reserve for Re-insurance, 858,718.31  
Net Surplus, 3,777.97  
All Liabilities, except Capital Stock and Net Surplus, 1,007,114.80  
Capital paid up in cash, 800,000.00  
Surplus beyond capital, 703,114.80



## HANOVER.

Mr. L. A. Roberts and Cheslie Saunders were at Locke's Mills Monday, loading a car with horn-beam to be shipped to Boston.

W. B. Russell who has been in poor health for some time is confined to his bed. Dr. Wight is attending him.

Mrs. Anson Hayford is quite ill and is under the care of Dr. Twit-chell of Andover.

Anson Hayford is at home called here by the illness of his wife.

School closed Friday, in the afternoon an interesting program was carried out consisting of speaking and a debate by the older pupils.

S. A. Putnam is clerking at Tebbets, mill while Cleve Bartlett is away with an injured eye.

S. P. Davis is taking his potatoes to Rumford Falls.

G. L. Smith is getting out a quantity of lumber but owing to low water is unable to run the mill.

Mrs. Elmer Howe is steadily improving under the care of Dr. Leslie.

J. C. Saunders visited his son Cheslie, Friday, at his lumber camp in West Bethel.

O. Dyke and family are in town. Charles Hayford and Sam Tompson were in the village Sunday.

Your husband will never again mention "mother's bread" if you will use



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To Boys!

Send this advertisement and a circular taken from the GOLD MEDAL Flour package and we will send you, postpaid, our Boy's Jack Knife. It has two cut steel blades, spring handle, Cocoa Holo handle, and is fully warranted. If your dealer does not handle GOLD MEDAL Flour, send us which will appear in this paper during the next four weeks, and give us your grocery's name, and we will send you the knife without the circular from the GOLD MEDAL package. Address, BROWN & JOSSELYN, Portland, Me.

## TOMMY PLAYS SIR KNIGHT.

But the Tournament Was Turned into a Lynching by Vigilantes.

"Gee, but I'm tired," said Tommy. "I'm goin' to have the leg ache, too, to-night. Did ou ever have the leg ache, Uncle Jimmy? Ain't it fierce? My, but it hurts, an' mother has to get up an' rub them. There ain't nothin' worsen the leg ache."

"Why do you kill yourself playing all day Saturday, then?" asked the unsympathetic Uncle Jimmy.

"I guess you never played, did you?" snorted Tommy. "There ain't but one Saturday in every week. The other one's Sunday, and that ain't no good."

"What's the matter with your hand?" asked the uncle, pointing to Tommy's left wrist, which was bandaged.

"That's a wound," replied Tommy with dignity.

"A what?"

"A wound I got in battle. We played Roland and Oliver this afternoon. Did you ever play that, Uncle Jimmy? I got this up."

"Who are Roland and Oliver?" asked the uncle.

"Didn't you ever read about King Charlemagne and his knights? I thought you went to college."

"O, those fellows."

"Yes," continued Tommy. "We made shields out'n table boards. You saw a board in two and nail the pieces side by side. Then you paint them with your skutchen. An' you make swords out'n lathes an' you take clothes props for lances. My but them table boards is hard to saw through an' you just can't get nails to go straight. They bend double. An' we had helmets made out'n tin. Then we went down where there's a gulch in Milliken's pasture an' had the fight."

"Sort of Roncesvalles affair?"

"That's it, only we can't pronounce that word, but that's where Roland gets killed, ain't it? I was Roland, an' was fightin' four Saracens, I guess that's the way you say that, and my foot slipped. I fell on that old shield an' there was a nail head stickin' out an' it just tore a piece about two inches long out'n my hand. Didn't bleed much. Just got all blue. An' then—"

"Then what?"

"Then I had to die, of course. I blew a tin horn, like Roland does, but my knights didn't hear it, they did in Roland, only the traitor pretended it wasn't his horn, an' then I died. But say, that wasn't the fun. You ought t' seen the tournament that we had."

Tommy was silent for a moment, while Uncle Jimmy chuckled over the battle of Roncesvalles, and then he asked:

"Say, Uncle Jimmy, where's mother gone?"

"Over to see Mrs. Howard," said the uncle.

"I knew it," exclaimed Tommy, in despair, "just my luck. Now I'll have to stay in the yard a week. Have to come right home from school an' stay in the yard. Doggone it. I just knew she'd go over there."

"What's the trouble?" asked the uncle.

"Why, we had an Indian fight after the tournament, an' we captured a lot of prisoners, an' Hefty said we had to burn 'em at the stake, but Skinny wanted to hang one. Hefty says Indians don't hang their prisoners of war, but Skinny says he didn't care. We'd be vigilantes an' hang one. So we burned the others. Of course, we put the fire out when it got close to them. Then we hung Kid Howard."

"Course we didn't hang him by the neck. That'd kill him. Hefty, said to hang him by the feet. We got a clothes line an' tied it to his legs an' hauled him up. We weren't goin' to let him hang but a minute, but we tied the other end of the rope so's we wouldn't have to hold it."

"An' just as we were goin' to let him down—he was a-yellin' awful—a kid yells 'Look out, she's comin'!' I guess his mother must have heard him yell. Their house's right close there. There she was a-comin' for us. You know squaws is somethin' fierce when their young is in danger. An' you bet we cut an' run."

"She yelled, 'I know you, Tommy, an' you, Clarence Williams, an' you, Harry Jones, an' you see if I don't tell your mothers.' We got over the fence an' watched her. She couldn't get the kid down. We had tied the knot too tight. He was a yellin' and she was a tuggin'. I guess he'd be hangin' there yet if one of the other kids hadn't got a hatchet an' cut the rope. Then he came down real quick."

"You'll get off lucky with a week in the yard," suggested Uncle Jimmy.

"I guess I'll catch it," said the philosophic Tommy. "I thought maybe mother wouldn't see Mrs. Howard till she had forgot it, but 'course she had to go over there to-night. Ain't that the worst luck? I don't mind the lickin', but she'll make me stay in the yard an' she won't let the other fellows come even to the fence."

Tommy kicked a hole in the gravel at his feet, while the uncle laughed at him.

"You needn't laugh, Uncle Jimmy," he said. "I guess you wouldn't like to be shut up in your room an' not have Edith Williams 'lowed to come an' see you."

"No, that wouldn't be nice," admitted Uncle Jimmy.

"Well, then," said Tommy, as if that settled it, and it did for several moments. Then Uncle Jimmy remarked:

"Your mother's coming down the street, Tommy."

"Gee, is she?" exclaimed the boy.

"Say, I guess I'll go to bed,"—C. A. R., in Chicago Tribune.

## LOCKE MILLS.

The ladies of Locke Mills are to give a Leap Year Ball at Mount Abram hall, Wednesday evening, March 2d. Stearns' orchestra of Norway, is to furnish music. Alkare invited.

Mr. W. B. Rand was in Portland Thursday on business.

Mr. Elroy Davis of West Paris, was in town one day recently.

Will Goodwin is ill with slow fever. Dr. Packard of West Paris, is attending him.

There was a poverty dance in Mount Abram hall Thursday evening, Feb. 18. There were about thirty couples and all enjoyed a good time. Bethel orchestra furnished music.

Miss Ethel Young of Bryant Pond, was the guest of her friend, Mrs. L. H. Penley, last week.

Mr. E. L. Tebbets is sick with a severe cold at his home in Auburn.

Mrs. Clara Ridlon recently visited relatives and friends at West Paris.

Mrs. Ruth Young is caring for Mrs. Emery Cole who is very ill.

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